

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



TO:

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Child and Adult Day Care Center Sponsors

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DATE:

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SUBJECT:

Operational Memorandum #01C-12 and #01A-12

Schedule for Submission of Online Reimbursement Claim Form Data

The Code of Federal Regulations for the Child and Adult Care Food Program [§ 226.10(e)] outlines the time limits for submission of claims for reimbursement to State agencies by sponsors. The due date for the claim form is the 15th of the month following the last day of the month covered by the claim or as noted on the new schedule below when the 15th falls on a weekend or holiday. Final claims, including revisions, must be submitted not later than <u>60 days</u> following the last day of the month covered by the claim. Claims not filed or corrected within the 60 days <u>may not be paid</u>. The new schedule is listed below:

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Claim Month	- DUE DATE - Received by State agency for prompt payment	Check due if received by date in column (2)	- FINAL DEADLINE - CLAIM MUST BE SUBMITTED* TO THE STATE AGENCY BY THIS DATE TO BE PAID
October 2011	November 15, 2011	December 31, 2011	December 30, 2011
November	December 15	January 30, 2012	January 28, 2012
December	January 17, 2012	February 29	February 29
January 2012	February 15	March 31	March 31
February	March 15	April 30	April 28
March	April 16	May 30	May 30
April	May 15	June 29	June 29
May	June 15	July 31	July 30
June	July 16	August 29	August 29
July	August 15	September 28	September 29
August	September 14	October 30	October 30
September	October 15	November 28	November 29

*Definition: "Submitted" means <u>mailed</u> (postmarked)

- 1. Claims are due (received by the State agency) by the date in column (2). Claims received by this date will be processed for timely payment listed in column (3).
- 2. Final claims **MUST** be postmarked by the date in column (4) to comply with the required time frame (60 days).
 - **Note**: Only the U.S. Postal Service postmark is acceptable for the 60-day final deadline. Claims received using agency postage meter dates will not fulfill the final deadline requirement.
- 3. Claim forms (original and/or revised) must be postmarked by the date in column (4), final deadline, to ensure receipt of program reimbursement. Exceptions are granted on a case-by-case basis.

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As a reminder, sponsors must adhere to the above schedule to ensure timely payment of claims. The online system will be locked at the close of the work day on the date indicated in column (2). Additionally, during a certain period every month, the claiming portion of the online system is locked for processing. The timeframe for processing varies; therefore, if you are locked out and cannot submit your claim electronically, we suggest that you try to access the system daily until claims are unlocked.

Note: If you are submitting a late claim that is nearing the final claim filing deadline as outlined in column (4) and the online claiming system is locked, you should submit this claim on a paper claim, Form ED-103 Schedule D, *Reimbursement Claim for Day Care Centers* (revised 12/10). A hard copy submission should only be used for claims that are nearing the final claim filing deadline date. All hard copy claims must be postmarked no later than the date in column (4) and should be sent to the attention of Avis Kelly in the Child Nutrition Unit at 25 Industrial Park Road, Middletown, CT 06457.

For questions about this information, please contact:

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